# NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SECTION MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 19, 2023

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Brooke Singer; Joyce Creidy; Leonie Huang; Marc Lieberstein, Richard Ravin; Robin Silverman; Sarah Ryu, and Sharmin Woodall.

Called to order at 11:05 a.m.

1. **Call to order, welcome** (Brooke Singer)

# Approval of Minutes (Leonie Huang) (tabled – lack of quorum)

# March 2023

# April 2023

# May 2023

# June 2023

# July 2023

# Financial Report (Nyasha Foy) (tabled)

1. **Mimi Netter Scholarship**

* Awarded 2 scholarships and an honorable mention. Winners are from different schools, one from Columbia and one from Syracuse. The honorable mention is from Pace. We decided to have an honorable mention because there was an applicant everyone liked. She is a later-in-life law student that started an Older Wiser Law Students group at her school. Hopefully the winners and honorable mention can come to the annual meeting, and we will invite the two female members to Women and IP.

1. **Women in IP**
2. December 6, 2023, at Davis+Gilbert LLP from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m

* Joyce reports we have a confirmed date for December 6, 2023. She has 2 potential speakers and is waiting to confirm, and once she hears back will reach out to her contacts for additional speakers.

1. ***Bright Ideas*** (Sarah Ryu)

a. Update on next issue and needs

* Brooke has calls with the Mimi Netter winners set up, and will have them do more than just a bio. We had them submit more substantive essay responses this time, and can have them write more about IP to highlight them in addition to the bio.
* Sarah raises that with the cancellation of the Fall Meeting, there may not be enough time to get sufficient quality pieces to make the next submission deadline for December. So the best plan is to have regular reminders for the upcoming deadline which will be in March. Sarah also notes that having more regular events, such as Women in IP, will help for people to make connections and to feel invested. This can help for content.

1. **Request to Sponsor: 2024 NYSBA Trial Academy**

a. https://nysba.org/trial-academy/

b. Saturday, April 6 – Wednesday, April 10, 2024

* We have been asked to sponsor the Trial Academy at the $1,500 level again. The Committee is in favor of sponsoring again.

1. **Intellectual Property 2023 Fall Meeting - Postponed**

* Fall Meeting was cancelled, and programming will have to be postponed. The Big Bar had asked us to postpone/cancel because they were having another event with some overlapping topics. And we also were having some trouble filling some speakers. We didn't have an ethics speaker yet, and we had to have all the speakers confirmed before we could publicize it. When we were asked to cancel, however, Marc noted we had finalized the program. It was a difficult decision, and a lost opportunity to have it hosted at Cardozo and having the connection with law students.
* For future, we may not be able to plan a full day event. It may be too ambitious for the Section to fill an all-day event. Marc raises that in the past we used to invite judges to attend, and that is something we should do again to raise the Section’s profile and attendance. It would be good to hear from not just federal district judges, but also state judges on AI issues, for example. Rick mentions we also used to get corporate people to speak on the issues. Brooke notes that most of our panels do have in-house counsel to speak.

1. **Annual Meeting 2024 (****January 17)**
2. Volunteers to co-chair.

* The committee discussed lunch planning for the Annual Meeting, tentatively to be hosted at a close by law firm given the high cost of the lunch at the Hilton. Leonie has reserved rooms at Holland & Knight, and will send more details relating to logistics and planning. Having more casual lunch options was discussed.

1. **Committees**
2. **Old Business**
3. **New Business**
4. **Next Meeting** – Nov 16, 2023

We are moving the November 16 scheduled date because it is the same week as INTA leadership. We are rescheduling to Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023 at noon.

1. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 11:38 am.